# CAVE CREEK REGIONAL PARK MONTHLY PROGRAMS

#### **PARK HOURS:**

Sunday – Thursday: 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday – Saturday: 6 a.m. – 10 p.m.

365 days a year

# **NATURE CENTER HOURS:**

Monday – Friday: 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

# ADMIN. OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Friday: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

#### **PARK FEES:**

\$6 vehicle day-use entry fee (no additional fees for programs, unless otherwise noted)

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

From central Phoenix, take I-17 north to Carefree Hwy (SR 74). Exit Carefree Hwy. and travel east to 32nd St. (7 miles). Turn north on 32nd St. to the Cave Creek Regional Park entrance.

## **WEBSITEPARK FEES:**

www.maricopa.gov/parks/cave\_creek/

#### WHAT TO BRING:

Please wear sturdy shoes (closed-toe), dress appropriately for the weather and bring more water than you think you will need. See descriptions for specifics. **Notes:** Fees for guided hikes and programs are included in the park entry fee of \$6 per vehicle or with your annual pass. Reservations are not required unless specified in the program description. If possible, canceled hikes will be posted on the website.



# **Maricopa County**

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# OCTOBER FEATURED PROGRAMS

Halloween Howl and Stargazing for Everybody!!

**Date:** 10/24/2015 **Time:** 3 p.m.

**Description:** Tricks and Treats for Everyone! Costume Contest, Games, Coyote Howling Contest, Live Animal Displays, Trick-or-Treating, Bug Theater, and more! Event runs from 3-7pm. Bring your friends! This is THE event of the season! Join us at the Nature Center! Then, plan on staying for the Stargazing event at 7:30pm. For more information contact Ranger Mark at:

markpaulat@mail.maricopa.gov **Core:** Entertainment & Social Skills

Stargazing for Everyone!

**Date**: 10/24/2015 **Time:** 7:30 p.m. **Description:** Stargazing For Everyone, LLC, with Tony & Carole La Conte. Take A Guided Tour Of The Night Sky and Explore The Universe Through Our Telescopes! Learn star names, see the constellations, and listen to stories of the night sky. View the moon, planets, star clusters, nebula, galaxies and more through our telescopes. We encourage you to bring your digital camera and binoculars to enjoy the views from this great location. The stargazing programs are outdoor events, dress appropriately and bring chairs or blankets for your seating comfort.\*\*\*NOTE: Times & Dates

subject to change due to weather – program should be confirmed by calling Cave Creek Regional Park @ (623) 465-0431 For more information, please contact Ranger Mark at markpaulat@mail.maricopa.gov

Core: Astronomy

Birds of the Night!

**Date:** 10/17/2015 **Time:** 10:30 a.m. **Description:** Join Joe in the Nature Center to learn about some of the most secretive, camouflaged species found in the bird world. With unique calls, legends of fear, unbelievable eyesight, the stories linked to the nightjars, nighthawks, potoos, and others, are many.

Core: Animals

**Haunted Mine Hike!** 

Date: 10/31/2015 Time: 6 p.m. Description: It's Halloween Night and what better time to explore an old abandoned mine? Creatures of the Night? Prospector's ghosts? You never know who or what you'll run into on Halloween! So meet at the Nature Center, in costume, for some Trick-or-Treat fun in the dark, dark desert night. Bring a flashlight and make sure your vision and movement are not obstructed by your costume. No pets, please.

Core: Entertainment & Social Skills

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# **CAVE CREEK REGIONAL PARK CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# **MONTHLY EVENTS**

#### **Fall Fitness Hike**

Date: 10/1/2015 Time: 8 a.m. Description: The weather is improving, and just in time, to start getting ready for the hiking season (and the 100 Mile Challenge)! And where better to get started than with a hike on one of our scenic trails? Meet the Ranger at the Nature Center. Bring plenty of water and wear sturdy shoes and seasonal fitness clothing, including a hat.

Core: Health & Fitness

# Hiking by Starlight

Date: 10/3/2015 Time: 6 p.m.
Description: Meet the Ranger at the
Nature Center to venture out on a guided
hike in the Sonoran Desert by Starlight.
Bring water, a camera, and a flashlight.
Blacklights are optional. Wear sturdy
shoes. No pets, please.

Core: Animals

# Fall Fitness Hike

Date: 10/8/2015 Time: 8 a.m.

Description: The weather is improving, and just in time, to start getting ready for the hiking season (and the 100 Mile Challenge)! And where better to get started than with a hike on one of our scenic trails? Meet the Ranger at the Nature Center. Bring plenty of water and wear sturdy shoes and seasonal fitness clothing, including a hat.

Core: Health & Fitness
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### Archery 101a

**Date:** 10/10/2015 Time: 9 a.m. **Description:** Interested in archery? Why not give it a try? Participants will experience a fun and safe basic introduction to recreational and international-style target archery. Equipment is provided. This program is open to anyone ages 10 and older. Children must be accompanied by an adult! Please bring water and wear closed-toed shoes. \*\*\*Advance registration is required! To register, contact Ranger Mark at: markpaulat@mail.maricopa.gov \*\*\*Space is limited so register early! \*Please Note: GPS and other mapping services may provide incorrect directions. To get to the park from Carefree Highway turn North on 32nd Street and follow to park. 32nd St. becomes CAVE CREEK PARKWAY. Core: Outdoor Skills

Archery - Open Range

Date: 10/10/2015 Time: 11 a.m.
Description: For those who have
completed "Archery 101" we will have the
range open for a bit of practice time.
Bring your "Archery Card" for verification.
This program is open to anyone ages 10
and older. Children must be
accompanied by an adult! Please bring
water and wear closed-toed shoes.

\*\*\*Advance registration is required! To register, contact Ranger Mark at: markpaulat@mail.maricopa.gov \*\*\*Space is limited so register early!

Core: Outdoor Skills

#### **Fall Fitness Hike**

Date: 10/15/2015 Time: 8 a.m. Description: The weather is improving, and just in time, to start getting ready for the hiking season (and the 100 Mile Challenge)! And where better to get started than with a hike on one of our scenic trails? Meet the Ranger at the Nature Center. Bring plenty of water and wear sturdy shoes and seasonal fitness clothing, including a hat.

Core: Health & Fitness

# Bird Walk with Joe

**Date:** 10/17/2015 **Time:** 8:30 a.m. **Description:** Take a walk with Joe Ford from the Sonoran Audubon Society and learn how to identify those little brown birds you've seen and always wondered about. Meet at the Nature Center. Bring your camera, a hat, and plenty of water.

Core: Animals

# Birds of the Night!

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Core: Animals

# Fall Fitness Hike

Date: 10/22/2015 Time: 8 a.m. Description: The weather is improving, and just in time, to start getting ready for the hiking season (and the 100 Mile Challenge)! And where better to get started than with a hike on one of our scenic trails? Meet the Ranger at the Nature Center. Bring plenty of water and wear sturdy shoes and seasonal fitness clothing, including a hat.

Core: Health & Fitness

#### **Fall Fitness Hike**

**Date:** 10/29/2015 **Time:** 8 a.m. **Description:** The weather is improving, and just in time, to start getting ready for the hiking season (and the 100 Mile Challenge)! And where better to get started than with a hike on one of our scenic trails? Meet the Ranger at the Nature Center. Bring plenty of water and wear sturdy shoes and seasonal fitness clothing, including a hat.

Core: Health & Fitness

#### **Haunted Mine Hike!**

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### STAFF:

Park Supervisor: Darci Kinsman Interpretive Ranger: Mark Paulat Office Asst. Chris Simpson

Maintenance: Alan Wattle and Steven

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PARK SUPERVISOR:

Thank you for your continued support and interest in Cave Creek Regional Park. We realize that you have a choice when it comes to selecting recreation venues and appreciate your business!

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Sincerely,

Darci Kinsman

# **MEDIA PARTNERS:**

Thank you for helping us advertise Cave Creek Regional Parks programs and events! Please include Ranger Mark's email address – markpaulat@mail.maricopa.gov - in your postings so park visitors can contact the park directly with general questions about programs, updates, and

changes.